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TO: GENERAL SCOWCROFT

FROM: THE SECRETARY

PLEASE PASS THE FOLLOWING REPORT FROM ME TO THE PRESIDENT:  
BEGIN REPORT:

1. THE ISRAELIS HAVE AGREED TO EVERYTHING, INCLUDING ALL THE APPROPRIATE DOCUMENTS AND A FURTHER CHANGE IN THE MAP, AND THERE IS ONLY ONE REMAINING ISSUE WHICH PREVENTS AGREEMENT. IT IS ASAD'S UNWILLINGNESS TO UNDERTAKE ANY KIND OF AN OBLIGATION, IN OR OUT OF THE AGREEMENT, HOWEVER TENOUS AND INDIRECT, WITH RESPECT TO PREVENTING TERRORIST ACTION ACROSS THE BORDERS AGAINST ISRAEL.

2. IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE MA'ALOT TRAGEDY THERE IS NO ISRAELI GOVERNMENT THAT CAN TAKE A DECISION FAVORABLY ON THIS AGREEMENT UNLESS SOME WAY IS FOUND, HOWEVER INDIRECTLY, TO DEAL WITH THE TERRORIST ISSUE. I HAVE OFFERED AN AMERICAN ASSURANCE OF SUPPORT BUT THAT IS OBVIOUSLY NOT ENOUGH.

3. I AM GOING OVER TO SEE THE PRIME MINISTER IN THE NEXT FEW MINUTES AND I AM LEAVING OPEN THE POSSIBILITY OF MY RETURNING TO DAMASCUS ONCE AGAIN TONIGHT.

END REPORT

WARM REGARDS.

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State Dept. review completed

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